

11 May 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 11 May 1982

The Director chaired the meeting. []

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Koehler reported that the Intelligence Community Staff had settled the intelligence portion of the FY-83 budget compromise but the Senate Armed Services Committee was amending the Department of Defense authorization bill which is currently on the floor. As a result, we may lose an additional \$36.5 million from the budget. The Director noted he had testified before the HPSCI on 10 May and had briefed on the situation in Central America. It was his feeling that the budget language, as it pertains to Central America, is very restrictive. []

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Fitzwater noted he has sent a memorandum to all component directors that the Wang word processor will be the word processor of choice for the Agency. []

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Fitzwater reported on progress in assuming responsibility for maintenance of [] from GSA. He reiterated his pessimism that GSA Administrator Carmen would be able to improve GSA standards of maintenance support for any agency. The Director indicated his willingness to talk to Carmen (e.g., about OTS facilities). []

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The Director raised the issue of travel and the costs that are incurred for various travel. Fitzwater said that OMB has asked for reports from all agencies regarding their travel expenses for the fiscal year. In response to the Director's question, [] said we have more travel money in the FY-82 budget than in the past, but he noted that in two of the past four years there have been congressionally imposed travel restrictions despite the availability of funds. [] told the Director that this year the Agency has budgeted [] for travel. []

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[] said that officials from DoD, NSC, the White House, and State Department will travel [] on 12 May to attend a meeting on security. []

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[] initiated a general discussion on PFIAB assistance in getting FOIA legislation passed. []

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In response to a question from Clair George, the Director said the Identities Legislation has passed both Houses--although in different forms--and that a Conference Committee was attempting to reconcile the differences in the language in order to expedite passage of the legislation so it could be sent quickly to the President. []

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In response to a request from the Director, McMahon discussed the Deputy Secretary of Defense's view that some DoD budget cuts will have to come out of the NFIP. The Agency share of these cuts will be approximately [] this will reduce the Agency's flexibility in funding some programs. []

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Gates reported on the Falkland Islands situation and the cancellation of demonstrations by Greek communists against Secretary Haig when he visits Greece next week. []

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[] noted that at the next NFIB the SNIE on the Peace Movement in Europe will be considered barring unforeseen problems. []

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The Director said during his recent trip he noted grave concern among various Arab leaders over the apparent successes of Iran in its war with Iraq and their views that there needs to be movement in the autonomy talks, the establishment of an independent Lebanon and an end to the Iran/Iraq war in order to restore stability to the area. Gates volunteered to have the DDI do a paper for the DCI on the general Middle East situation; the paper could then be converted into an interagency paper. The Director said he planned to talk to Gates, [] about this. []

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Clair George reported he and Fitzwater are working on a regulation that would bar foreign visitors from []

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As a result of the Director's request, [] will report to him each week on the status of the Counterintelligence Study directed by NSSD-2.

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